## Hunting and Trapping

# Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 02-07-05

Issued at Cordova, Alaska September 26, 2005

**Effective Date:** 11:59 p.m.

September 27, 2005

**Expiration Date:** June 30, 2006 unless superseded by

subsequent emergency order

#### **EXPLANATION:**

This emergency order closes the State of Alaska resident and nonresident hunting season for mountain goat in registration permit hunt area RG266 south of Icy Bay, Tiger Glacier and Sargent Icefield, and east of Cape Fairfield in the mainland portion of Game Management Unit 6(D). Mountain goat hunting regulations in all other portions of Game Management Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

#### **REGULATION:**

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 85.040 (2), Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits for Goat**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(2) Unit 6(D), Hunt RG266: specifically, that portion south of Icy Bay, Tiger Glacier and Sargent Icefield, and east of Cape Fairfield	Sept. 15- Sept. 27	Sept. 15 -Sept. 27
1 goat by registration permit only		

All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.

McKie Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to:

David W. Crowley Area Wildlife Biologist

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### **JUSTIFICATION:**

Aerial surveys completed during September, 2002 indicated that a declining population of about 280 goats resided in registration permit area RG266. This year, the Department set the maximum allowable State harvest at 9 goat-units. Each billy counts as one goat-unit and each nanny counts as two goat-units. Harvest is now at 10 goat units, including 3 nannies. Additional take could harm the long-term stability of the population.